

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

DODGE CITY, SATURDAY, APRIL 13, 1878.

CITY SCRIPT is almost at par.

A BREWERY is being built in Kinsley.

MR. H. B. BELL came up from Great Bend this week.

MR. M. R. DRAPER returned last Thursday from a business visit to St. Louis.

THE NEW YORK papers say that Theodore and Elizabeth Tilton have kissed and made up.

THE MORTON BROS. have sold their hunting outfit and taken claims in Foote county.

A CATCH-PENNY lottery has already arrived and is now in full blast. Ten cents a draw.

SHERIFF Masterson started for Wichita last evening to visit his parents. County Attorney Sutton accompanied him.

MORRIS COLLAR has planted a nursery between the railroad switches east of the depot.

WE ARE sorry to note that conductor Prince is confined to his room from injuries received by a fall from a freight car.

Eighteen thousand horses have been purchased in this country during the past month for the British cavalry service.

FRANK ANDERSON, a younger brother of Councilman Anderson of this city, arrived from Texas this week.

H. B. LEONARD, of Burlington, Kan., a brother of F. J. Leonard, spent a few days in Dodge, visiting his brother.

JOSEPH MASON AND JOHN BROWN have been placed on the Police force to serve temporarily.

MR. RICHARD, who went to the Black Hills with a freighting outfit about a year ago, has returned. He was in Dodge this week.

CHARLEY LAWSON now plays the violin with as much ability as ever before, although one of the fingers of his left hand is entirely useless.

A. B. WEBSTER AND R. W. EVANS returned from a visit to Hays last Thursday. They report business lively in that village.

COUNTY SURVEYOR VANTRUMP returned from Pearceville and Sherlock yesterday where he has been surveying for a week past.

ELLIS had a shooting scrape between two of its citizens last week. The Standard suppresses the names of the participants.

MR. VINCENT MELLICKER, Treasurer of School District No. 2, came up from the East End of the county yesterday to receive the money due his district from the State school fund.

MR. HARRIS HATHWAY came up from the east end of the county this morning accompanied by his sister, who attended the teachers' examination. Miss Hathway expects to teach in district number two.

A MILITIA COMPANY from Leavenworth went to Emporia this week to help quell the strikers. While there a gun in the hands of one of them was accidentally discharged killing Rev. O. G. Shannon.

MR. E. N. STEVENS, a very agreeable gentleman, agent for the Leavenworth Times, was in the city two or three days this week. The Times is a splendid paper and enjoys a large patronage in the West.

MR. T. F. CULBERTSON arrived last Thursday after an absence of two or three weeks. He has purchased Anthony's ox teams and brought them in from the prairie.

FROM a private letter we learn that a man named Montague was murdered at Las Animas last Thursday evening by a desperado named Ed Davis. Both men were strangers in the city. The Row occurred over a woman.

MR. C. S. HUNGERFORD arrived home from Kansas city this morning, bringing a number of fat cattle for Hangerford & Jones' meat market and to supply Fort Dodge with fresh meat. Mr. H. reports having seen Cowdrey and several other ex-Dodgeites.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COUNCIL.

Now on this 10th day of April, 1878, at the City of Dodge City comes D. D. Colley, C. M. Benson, James Anderson, Walter Strater and John Newton Councilmen thereof, and, whereas the Mayor of said city being absent, and there being no President of the Council; on motion of John Newton D. D. Colley was chosen acting President of the Council; and on motion of James Anderson D. D. Colley was elected President of the Council.

The following resolutions were presented by C. M. Benson and unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, Edward J. Masterson, Marshal of the City of Dodge City, was on the night of April 9th, 1878, killed in the lawful discharge of his duties, be it

RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Dodge City, that in his death the city has lost an officer who was not afraid to do his duty, and who never shrank from its faithful performance; a worthy servant and an upright citizen.

RESOLVED that we offer our heartfelt sympathy to his many friends, both here and abroad; and that these resolutions be spread upon the journal of these proceedings; and that the Clerk be directed to forward a copy of the same when printed to his parents at Wichita.

D. D. COLLEY, Pres't. of the Council.
E. F. COLBORN, City Clerk.

Marshal Masterson lived about forty minutes after he was shot and died surrounded by many of his warmest friends. He remained conscious to the last and passed away apparently without pain or dread.

When prepared for burial his remains were visited by many of our most worthy ladies. His face was that of one who had been called away in the midst of his slumber.

The parents of Marshal Masterson reside near Wichita.

TWO DOLLARS REWARD.

LOST—A German silver ring with a key on it, the name H. D. Belmont, Keokuk, Iowa, on the ring. Return to this office.

THE most welcome visitor to Dodge City for many a day was the smiling and good-natured countenance of that veteran wholesale liquor merchant, H. W. Gillet, representing the house of Gillet, Armstrong & Kellogg, of Leavenworth. He was here this week.

GOOD BY PARTY.

One of the pleasantest social dancing parties ever given in this city was held last Thursday evening at Hadder & Draper's new store building. The party was complimentary to Miss Katie Leonard, on the evening previous to her return to her home in Lawrence, and was largely attended by the best people of our city.

During her visit here Miss Leonard has won numerous friends and admirers and has been an ornament and a leader in the society in which she moved. Many bid her good by with regret, and hope she will visit us again.

The success of the party is due to Mr. and Mrs. Marshall, Miss Belle Wright, Mr. T. J. Draper and others.

ADAH RICHMOND.

The Adah Richmond burlesque troupe played at the court house Thursday evening, and the audience was highly entertained. Adah Richmond has "a pretty face, a handsome figure, and a sweet voice." She was well supported by the remainder of the troupe; the songs, dances, and local hits were good, and the army fought nobly. James McDonald's clog dancing was excellent. Little cupid (Baby McDonald) made herself very entertaining. The company is one that can be highly recommended.

MR. M. M. LEWIS, who was some time ago displaced from the editorship of the Kinsley Republican "would not down." He has purchased the Republican and again assumed editorial charge. Lewis made the Republican a paper of some note before leaving it, and will now resume the work with more vim than ever. He is a man of more than ordinary ability as a writer.

INCIDENTS OF THE SHOOTING.

After Wagner was shot he rushed into the saloon and fell to the floor in an almost senseless condition. Walker, upon receiving his wound, ran out back of the saloon and fell to the ground. The excitement was so great and the place where the shooting occurred (out on the sidewalk) being dark, no one hardly knew what was the matter until after the firing ceased. Marshal Masterson talked but very little after he was shot.

EDWARD J. MASTERSON.

DIED—In this city, on Tuesday, April 9th, in the 28th year of his age, Edward J. Masterson, City Marshal.

The subject of this sketch was born in Henryville, Canada East, on September 23d, 1852, and removed to Wichita, Kansas with his parents in 1869, where he continued to reside until attaining his majority when he left his home and became one of the first inhabitants of this city.

In May 1876 he accepted the appointment of Assistant Marshal, and in the December following, having displayed marked adaptability for the position, he was promoted to the Marshalship, in the discharge of the duties of which he continued until his unfortunate death.

Possessed of a gentleness of temperament, a kindness of heart and a richness of personal bravery, he had many warm friends and admirers.

As an officer he followed the dictation of duty, striving at all times for its honest and complete discharge and gaining for himself the dignity and respect that of necessity followed from his determined intrepidity.

He died in the service he performed so well, and has added one other to the list of those who, living, were so many representatives, each of his day and generation, but who dead, belong to all time, and whose voices ring down the ages in solemn protest against the reign of violence and blood.

THE FUNERAL.

The funeral and burial of Edward J. Masterson took place on Wednesday afternoon, and was conducted under the auspices of the Dodge City Fire Company. At 3 o'clock the casket containing the remains was placed in the firemen's hall, and all who wished were allowed to take a last look at all that remained of our once brave and true City Marshal. Many were the sad faces of those who stood around his bier. Rev. O. W. Wright conducted the services after the Episcopal form, and the following appropriate verses were sung by Mr. and Mrs. Benson, Miss Dickinson and Mr. Graybill:

Close his eyes, his work is done!
What to him is friend or foe man?
Rise of morn or set of sun,
Hands of man or kiss of woman?
Lay him low, lay him low,
In the clover or the snow—
What cares he, he cannot know.
As man may he fought his fight—
Proved his truth by his endeavor;
Let him sleep in solemn night—
Sleep forever and forever.
Lay him low, lay him low,
In the clover or the snow—
What cares he, he cannot know.

After the services, the large crowd that had assembled to show respect to the departed, formed in procession, the fire company, in uniform, marching in front. This was the largest procession ever witnessed in Dodge City, and the most solemn. Every respect was shown for him who died in the discharge of his duty. The procession marched to Fort Dodge, and in the Post cemetery the remains were consigned to the tomb. The eyes of many were not dry as the last words of the ceremony were being said and the casket lowered to its final resting place.

The Fire Company held a meeting last night, at which unusual solemnity prevailed, caused by the death of one of their number; speeches were made eulogistic of his life and character. The following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, One of the most beloved of our number, Brother Edward J. Masterson, has been called from us by the voice of Death. Sadly, and with hearts filled with deep sorrow do we mourn the loss of our brother. Now that he is no more we vividly call to mind his many noble and generous qualities. In the bosom of man the creator never caused a more true and brotherly heart to beat; ever ready to perform a kind act, he bore malice toward none and held the firm friendship of all. We feel that his death is a calamity that can never be repaired. His place among us cannot be filled. Long will we cherish him in memory as one who was near and dear to us all. And be it

RESOLVED, That as a mark of our high esteem and universal respect for our deceased brother, our place of meeting and our fire implements be draped in mourning, and that we wear a badge of crepe for thirty days from the date of his death. This we do in honor of the dead. Also

RESOLVED, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to the afflicted relatives of our deceased brother and instruct the Secretary of this company to forward copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution to their address.

SPEARVILLE.

SPEARVILLE, KAN., April 11, 1878.

To the Editors of the Times.
Our town is still going ahead with improvements; settlers continue to arrive daily; the face of the country is fast becoming dotted over with the houses of those seeking new homes in the "American desert."

The town of Spearville is no longer a mere project, but is not nor has not been surpassed by any town in Kansas according to its age for improvements and enterprise, although there has been considerable written derogatory to the business of some of our houses, by some of the numerous reportorial aspirants of this place, we think under the circumstances it is altogether uncalled for. Our town was for awhile devoid of accommodation for the public, Bowman's boarding house was the first to relieve the demand for entertainment, he opened his house before he was ready in a condition to accommodate in order to satisfy the demand at that time. His house soon proved inadequate to supply the public demand for entertainment. The Center House was next erected, they too were obliged to open before they were in a condition to entertain travelers as they should have wished, but notwithstanding, we are satisfied they did the best they could under the circumstances. They have both been the subject of criticism, but from what we have seen and know of the conditions and circumstances (and we have tried to inform ourselves under which they were started and have been run, we will say that the accusations against them are uncalled for. Those persons who are so ready to find fault should at least wait until they get their houses furnished and in circumstances in which they can accommodate before they enter complaint against them.

The new hotel is nearing completion and will soon be dedicated with a calico party.

Mr. Lietz has received a car load of merchandise and is now shelving it. We predict for Mr. Lietz a good trade.

Messrs. Gleason & Jackson's new store room on Main street is nearing completion.

The contract for the new town well has been let to Roberts & Davis, and work commenced.

Bolscher and T. B. Vantorhis have each a well under way so we will soon be independent of the railroad for water.

Quite a number of the youth of our town tripped the light, fantastic toe at the residence of Uncle Jonas, Tuesday night, notwithstanding the precautionary measure used by the Rev. ——— in his sermon a few days before. Ministers of the Gospel are welcomed by the people of S., but they had better leave matters which do not concern them alone.

F. D. Stevens, the gentlemanly agent who has been here temporarily for the past month, leaves the 12th. Mr. Stevens has proved himself a competent and accommodating official and his departure will be regretted by a large majority of our citizens, although some complaints have been made public by one of those ever ready faultfinding individuals.

I. M. PARTIAL.

SUPPOSED ACCOMPLICES.

An hour after the shooting warrants were issued and Sheriff Masterson arrested the four associates who accompanied Walker and Wagner into the city. They were examined Wednesday and Thursday before Justice Cook, a large number of witnesses were sworn but no evidence was brought out of sufficient strength to convict them as accomplices in the killing of Marshal Masterson, and they were released. Their names were John Hengate, Thomas Highlander, Thomas Roads and John Reece. The examination was able and thoroughly conducted by County Attorney Sutton, assisted by his partner Mr. Colborn. Messrs. Gryden, Frost and Morphy defended the prisoners. Although there was a crowd of people standing within a few feet of the shooting when it occurred, not one of them saw the affair from beginning to end.

JOHN WAGNER.

Mr. John Wagner, who received his death wound at the time Masterson was killed, died on Wednesday evening about sundown. He was 27 years old and about the average size, blue eyes and light complexion. Before he arrived in town he informed some of the men with him that he had been lost from his mother for eight years. Some time ago he received a fall from his horse, which it is thought rendered him partially insane. He was buried Thursday evening on the hill west of the city.

ALFRED WALKER, who was shot at the time of the killing of Marshal Masterson, is still lying very low at Mr. Lane's rooms. There is a prospect of his recovery.

MAYOR KELLEY and his hunting party, consisting of the Maxwell Bros. and Mr. Weneys, from Victoria, and ex-Sheriff Bassett, returned from their buffalo hunt yesterday evening. They had a hard time, killing nine buffalo and considerable small game. They say the plains are covered with wild horses.